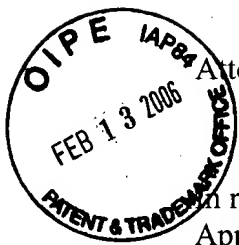


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In re: Plate et al.

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## PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

1. This is a petition for an extension of time for a total period of 3 months to respond to the Office Action dated August 11, 2005.

2. Applicant is ☐ a small entity; ☐ other than a small entity.

3. Calculation of extension fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5)):

	Total Months Requested	Fee For Other Than Small Entity	Fee for Small Entity
<input type="checkbox"/>	one month	\$120.00	\$60.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	two months	\$450.00	\$225.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	three months	\$1,020.00	\$510.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	four months	\$1,590.00	\$795.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	five months*	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00

\*Cannot be used to exceed six-month statutory limit for response to an Official Action.

☒ A check in the amount of \$1,020.00 is enclosed.

☐ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for the extension fee.

☒ Charge Deposit Account No. 16-0605 for any fee deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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